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May 14, 2018

Dear New York State Office of the Attorney General:

I am writing to strongly encourage you to approve the sale of the assets of Fidelis Care to Centene Corporation, resulting in the creation of the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation.

As a not-for-profit, mission-based organization, Catholic Health Services of Long Island (CHS) continues the work of the women religious who founded hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and other Long Island agencies reaching back more than a century. In addition to the primary health and human services provided by CHS entities across the region, blood drives, free wellness seminars, support groups and other community health-related events and programs are offered year-round. As part of its mission, CHS specifically focuses on delivering health care to those most vulnerable. However, we could assist even more Long Islanders. Through the new foundation, more than \$150M a year will be made available to local organizations like ours, enabling us to expand our capabilities to provide critical services to disadvantaged individuals and families.

On such program that addresses health disparities is CHS's Healthy Sundays program. To further support the medically underserved in Nassau and Suffolk counties, CHS established its Healthy Sundays outreach network and Bishop McHugh Health Centers, delivering health screenings, education, vaccinations and other services to those without access to primary care. In 2017, 34 free events were held, at which more than 1,700 individuals were screened and 1,200 immunizations were provided, with more than 2,200 in attendance. Nearly 180 CHS personnel volunteered almost 1,000 hours to deliver these services. As a result, more than 100 Long Island residents received medical referrals to CHS hospitals or other facilities and were cared for, regardless of their ability to pay. With additional financial support, there is ample opportunity to expand this vital outreach.

As you know, the Department of Health, the Department of Financial Services and federal regulators have already approved the transaction. With your approval, the groundbreaking

Mother Cabrini Health Foundation will transform the lives of New York's poor, neediest and most vulnerable.

We appreciate your consideration on this deeply important matter.

Sincerely,

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